

The Behner Stiefel Center for Brazilian Studies presents

Sônia Guajajara

Sônia Guajajara belongs to the Guajajara/Tentehar people, who live in the forests of the Araribóia in the state of Maranhão, Brazil. Her militancy began in her youth, in grassroots movements, but soon reached the National Congress – where she led the opposition against a series of projects that took away rights and threatened Indigenous peoples and the environment. In just a few years, she gained international prominence for her struggle waged on behalf of the rights of native peoples. In 2018, she was the first Indigenous person on the presidential ticket in Brazil. Today she is part of the leadership of the largest pan-Indigenous organization in Brazil, the Articulação dos Povos Indígenas do Brasil (APIB) and the Council of the Interfaith Initiatives for the Tropical Forests of Brazil, a United Nations program initiative.

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October 11, 2021
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This lecture is part of the speaker series Land Rights in the Brazilian Amazon and is co-hosted by Nature & Culture International, Projeto Bem Viver, and the Department of American Indian Studies at San Diego State University.

This event will be in English and Portuguese with simultaneous interpreting available.



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